

FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION

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RE: MUR 5520
Republican Party of Louisiana
and Charles Buckels

Dear Mr. Burchfield:

This is in response to your letter dated September 10, 2004, which we received on September 10, 2004 requesting an extension until October 20, 2004 to respond to the complaint filed in the above-noted matter. After considering the circumstances presented in your letter, the Office of General Counsel has granted the requested extension. Accordingly, your response is due by the close of business on or before October 20, 2004.

If you have any questions, please contact me on our toll-free telephone number, (800) 424-9530. Our local telephone number is (202) 694-1650.

/ (Alva Smith, Paralegal

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